## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Inter-Department Communication** 

**DATE:** November 10, 2020 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

FROM:

Kath Mullholand, Director – Regulatory Innovation and Strategy Division

SUBJECT: Docket No. DT 20-164 Request for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement between TDS Telecommunications LLC and Broadview Networks, Inc., Earthlink Business, LLC, and Paetec Communications, LLC Staff Recommendation

TO: Commissioners Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

CC: David K. Wiesner, Legal Division Director

On October 6, 2020, TDS Telecommunications LLC (TDS) filed a request for approval of an Interconnection Agreement between TDS and Broadview Networks, Inc., Earthlink Business, LLC, and Paetec Communications, LLC (the three previous, collectively, the "CLEC") (Agreement), under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. TDS and the CLEC plan to adopt, in its entirety, the Interconnection Agreement entered into between TDS Telecom and Level 3 Communications, LLC dated August 15, 2020 (TDS/Level 3 Agreement) filed in Docket No. DT 20-138 and scheduled to take effect on November 25, 2020. TDS represented that the Agreement is the result of arms-length negotiations between the parties, does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, and is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Once effective, the Agreement, and the TDS/Level 3 Agreement it adopts, can be found on the Commission's web pages at http://www.puc.state.nh.us/Telecom/interconnectionagreements.htm

The entities comprising the CLEC are each utility providers of telecommunications services authorized as excepted local exchange carriers with the Commission.

Staff recommends that the Agreement be allowed to go into effect by operation of law, 90 days after the date of the original filing.

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